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In re Applicant : Beatrice GAUGLER et al.  
Serial No. : 09/579,543  
Filed : May 26, 2000  
For : ISOLATED NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES CODING FOR  
TUMOR REJECTION ANTIGEN PRECURSOR MAGE-4  
AND 41 AND USES THEREOF  
Art Unit : 1642  
Examiner : Alana Harris

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THIRD PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In connection with a telephone discussion with Supervisory Examiner Anthony Caputa, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Replace claims 38, 39, 40, 41, 43, 44, 58, 59, 60, 64 and 66 with the following:

Claim 38: An isolated nucleic acid molecule which encodes a tumor rejection antigen precursor expressed in melanoma cells, wherein the complementary sequence of said isolated nucleic acid molecule hybridizes to the nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 13, 14 or 15 at 0.1XSSC, 0.1%SDS for 30 minutes, at 65°C.

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